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THE NEUTRALIZATION FAD.

The Japanese suggestion of the neutralization of the Philippines is quite natural, seeing that such an arrangement would be in accord with frequent practice in Asia and Europe and would also be for the direct and material advantage of Japan. It is, however, merely an echo of a proposal which has been more or less persistently made in the United States. The Amer-Ican authors and promoters of it have been those who delight to oppose the policy of the national administration, being "against the government," and also those who decry the American policy in the Philippines as "imperialistic" and as likely to involve us in undesirable complications with other

It would be difficult to imagine anything more illogical than the attitude of these latter, for the reason that the course which they advocate is exactly profess. Neutralization implies one of states instead of equality, and the exercising of overlordship by one or tralized state is placed in an inferior is unfit fully to enjoy the sovereignty with which it is nominally invested. It is not clear what moral right these sticklers for Philippine emancipation from "American despotism" have to insist that the islands shall be put under a plural tutelage. It would certainly seem to be more dignified and acceptable to national pride for the islands to be a part of the possessions of one great sovereign nation than to

be the wards of a number of powers. From the American point of view neutralization would be still more obectionable. So long as we hold the islands as our own we are free from entanglements. But the moment we relieve. joined with other powers in neutralizing them we should plunge ourselves into a mesh of complications of the most embarrassing kind. We should be meddling in "world politics" with a vengeance. Memory of our troubles when we joined in tripartite neutralization of Samoa ought to be sufficient to warn every rational American against repeating that experiment in circumstances which would magnify its embarrassments and perils a thousandfold. The disasters of Anglo-French neutralization of Egypt and of the attempted plural neutralization of Morocco should reinforce the warning. These are examples to be avoided. Those for following are found in our own prudent refusals, in Cuba and elsewhere, to enter into neutralization or protectorate compacts with any other power. Whatever it is fitting that the United States should do in that way it is quite competent to do alone and on its own account.

LENDING COLONEL GORGAS. The approaching completion of the Panama Canal makes the request of accepted that man is expected to work the government of Ecuador for the out his own salvation in this world, loan of Colonel Gorgas in order to even as to personal vices, and with improve the sanitary condition of that that ordinarily goes the idea that God country most timely. The harbor of helps him who helps himself. The Guayaquil has long been one of the point to all the criticism of the Gaynor world's notorious pestholes. The town administration, so far as police problies in a low plain with large areas of lems are concerned, is that it has made shallow water around it, and with a no genuine, earnest effort to help itpoor water supply. Tropical heat, self. It may be conceded that drunknatural breeding grounds for mosqui- enness, gambling, prostitution, theft, toes and unsanitary sewerage have arson, murder, even police graft, cancombined to make yellow fever and not be abolished until human nature malaria a constant menace not only has achieved a higher level than it responsibility for pardons, reprieves to residents and visitors but to the now occupies. It is true that a certain and commutations of sentence should rest of the world having relations with lack of straightforwardness in the not rest on the Governor alone, and on that important commercial port. A general point of view toward the vices the statement that the Executive canfew years ago our own consul, Thomas which the Mayor was discussing and a not give all the personal attention to Nast, was the victim of yellow fever certain hypocrisy in the laws relating applications which they deserve. It shortly after his arrival at his post, to them make the public official's seems a rather queer argument, either The opening of the canal will bring task a hard one. At the same time, way, from a Governor with a record the United States and Ecuador into whether or not the laws brand vices for prolific pardons. Surely he cannot closer relations than ever before and as crimes also, there is always a point argue that he has not given personal make yellow fever at Guayaquil almost where the vicious man becomes a attention to the appeals which he has as much of a danger to our people at menace to a community and where granted, and surely he cannot have Panama and Colon and in our own Gulf the vicious classes must be discourports as yellow fever at Havana was aged, restricted, punished, for the of these acts. And it cannot be that a few years ago to New Orleans and Charleston. Therefore, self-interest of vicious part of the public. The Mayor's permitted to interfere with the perthe most practical kind as well as the attitude of reliance on God to handle

quate measures to free the district en- have intended this to be so, but he stances where the machinery of the tirely from yellow fever admits of no must not expect the patrolman or the law, doing justice in the great majordoubt. He has already done similar "strong-arm" squad man to under- ity of cases, has slipped, or where the he could not only build sewers and the gambler, the Sunday liquor seller. system is said to work well in states drain swamps, but could secure obe- the divekeeper an inch and he'll take where it has been established, but dience to sanitary laws. It may not an ell. And the vicious element has that is not a sufficient reason for he so easy to make the natives of conceived the "outward order and changing the existing system in New

willing to undertake the task.

their courts and gardens. Still, if he inal element. had the firm backing of the government, he might even do what was done under American rule to educate the people of Cuba to conform to sanitary regulations. At any rate, he could possible from its servants. It does degreatly reduce the present dangers. and the disposition of Ecuador to un- to repress and punish the vicious and dertake a sanitary reform should receive every possible aid from this country. It is to be hoped, therefore, that the joint resolution introduced by Representative Fitzgerald, of this city. to permit Colonel Gorgas and two other officers of the Medical Corps of the army to go to the assistance of Ecuador will be promptly passed. The Democrats in Congress have shown a strange unwillingness to allow this country to assist its neighbors with expert skill in matters of finance, but perhaps with regard to sanitation they will take a more enlightened view. Mr. Fitzgerald's influence as a Democrat should, at any rate, forestall political opposition on the part of his Democratic associates, and the Republicans in the Senate should be a unit in favor of a step which is in entire harmony with the Republican policy of helpfulness to this country's neigh-

PERVERTED SYMPATHIES.

Dr. W. W. Keen, the noted Philadelphia surgeon, strips the anti-vivisectionists clean of their reputation for sensitive tender-heartedness in what he has to say about them in another section of to-day's Tribune. The general conception of them has been that they dinner table. are persons of such refined sympathies the thought of animal suffering is unbearable to them. This idea is strengthened by the fact that the majority of them are women. But would person of really gentle nature and delicate sensibilities write the letter which Dr. Keen received from an antivivisectionist source and which expressed this pious wish:

I hope your mother, if she is living. policy of the national administration, will die in the most terrible torture; whatever it may be, on the principle of and if she is dead that her soul will never know rest for having given life to such a vile monster as you.

> In this letter Dr. Keen was addressed as "Arch Fiend," and it was written because he had ventured upon a defence of vivisection on the ground of its usefulness to humanity.

that Dr. Keen has collected as illustra- invincible military power.

TRUST IN PROVIDENCE.

tinction between vice and crime in his address at New York University. He has pointed out the impossibility of wiping out drunkenness, gambling and other evils while human passions remain unchanged. He has traced with clearness the inevitable effect of laws aimed at commercialized vice of this character in bringing police corruption and graft into the community. He has reiterated anew his belief in the policy of "outward order and decency in official dealings with these evils and has made a general appeal for patience, calm thought and serene belief in the general wellbeing of the universe. In form he was defending the police work of his administration. Actually he was throwing all the responsibility for present conditions in this city on Divine Providence and year, equally by the pitiable weakness declaring that when God softened human hearts things would be better.

and not until then. It is a doctrine quite universally safety and wellbeing of the non- his attention to such work has been higher motives of neighborliness and the problem in His own good time had leisure for numerous vacations humanity calls for a favorable response and his "outward order and decency" and recreation trips. to this appeal, if Colonel Gorgas is policy have not contributed to the protection of the non-vicious class. The The work of Colonel Gorgas on the vicious have been encouraged and the Neither does the logic of the case. isthmus warrants the expectation that police force has been confused and its The constitution places the pardoning he would be successful at Guayaquil. discipline broken down by the Mayor's power in the hands of the Governor, That he would be able to devise ade- personal liberty views. He may not on the theory that there may be in-

stroy all mosquito breeding places in inch and has developed into the crim-

There are many things which the police force and the present laws cannot do. The public is fairly sensible and is not likely to demand the immand, however, attempts in good faith the criminal classes and not an administrative attitude which encourages them. It cannot wait for miracles.

JOY IN A REFERENDUM.

Really there are some joys about selfgovernment of the Western style, where everybody is his own lawmaker. We had thought it was all a frightful bore which only an exaggerated sense of vote on the question of retaining the in it. free lunch in saloons. It must have been great fun considering the circumsome of them caused the ordinance for neff. bidding free lunch to be submitted to the voters, not openly of course, but probably all the while making a long face at this threatened invasion of chised women voters of Los Angeles to strike down the rival of the family

So far as the voters understood the real motive of the ordinance, what a satisfaction they must have got in ral lying to the defence of the right of the man behind the bar to feed his patrons free! They have been upheld by a clining to restrict his generosity. No one will now venture to interfere with

it. The free lunch has a huge measure that they are not men but women? of popular approval. The saloonkeepers can't abandon it themselves now without assailing the sacred right of the people to rule. It has almost a constitutional character.

THREE SWIFT WARS.

Comment is quite justifiably made upon the amazing celerity with which The expression of such sentiments as the Balkan League in the present war those, and Dr. Keen produces many achieved the practical conquest of equally violent and heartless, must give Turkey. Yet it was not unpreceopposed to the theories which they any one pause who is inclined to feel dented or unparalleled. In two other sympathy with the anti-vivisectionists European wars within present memory the most offensive features of impe- on account of the sensitiveness of their events have proceeded no less rapidly. rialism, namely, discrimination among natures. It is not delicacy or refine- in one of them more rapidly; and in ment or a shrinking from the knowl- each of them, it may be added, there edge of suffering in its various forms was as noteworthy a crumpling up of more states over another. The neu- that inspired the violent utterances what had been regarded as an almost

and humiliating position, as one which tions of "The Influence of Anti-Vivi- In this Balkan war it took the allies section Upon Character." Dr. Keen forty-seven days from the declaration says that the anti-vivisectionists' pos- of war to win great battles at Kirksession by their single idea has made Killsseh, Lule Burgas and Monastir. them cruel. And he seems to prove his to drive the Turks behind the lines of But cruel or not, they are far Tchataldja and to compel them to seek from the soft-hearted creatures unable an armistice. In the war of 1870 it to bear the thought of a fly's unneces- took the Germans just forty-five days sary death that the public is inclined to from the declaration to fight Woerth. imagine them. Theirs is a strange per- Gravelotte and Sedan, to take Napo version of the natural instincts; for leon prisoner and cause the downfall with all the to-do they make over the of the empire. By interesting coincioccasional suffering of animals through dence the distance from the point at experimental surgery they are totally which the Bulgarian army entered mal experimentation aims to and does France to Sedan is the same to a mile. In the war of 1866 it took the Prussians only nineteen days after mobilization to fight Sadowa, twenty-four days to enter Prague and forty-two days to bring Austria to sue for peace. The chronological likeness among the three wars is certainly noteworthy.

In each case the swiftness of the campaign was due to the unexpected lapse of her once boasted might. The French débâcle astounded the world, though after-investigation and reflection made it seem less surprising and showed it to have been a collapse of corrupt imperialism and not of the indomitable spirit of the French nation, which never in all history showed itself greater than in the Terrible Year. The greatest astonishment of all, however, has been caused this of the once formidable Turks and by the singular efficiency and strength of the allies whom it had been the pleasure of the world to scorn as "chocolate soldiers." We may not expect ever to see the Tribe of Othman rehabilitate itself as did France, or even as much as did Austria: but we may watch with interest to see how far the allies will play the Prussian part of confirming their triumphs and rising upon the strength of them to permanently commanding rank among the nations.

PARDONS. Governor Dix bases his plea for a Board of Pardons on the belief that wished to evade responsibility for any formance of other duties, for he has

Thus, the Governor's own experience cannot be held to bear out his plea.

found here with the exercise of the pardoning power by a strong Governor. That is the best system, we believe, which concentrates this re-

sponsibility in one individual. The consideration of pardon applications is one of the highest duties and gravest responsibilities of a Governor. Any man in that office, however wise, must sometimes shudder at the thought of dispensing life and death in his routine of public service. Yet because he is the elected representative of all the people, with the welfare of the state at heart, if any citizen may be thought to have it at heart, he is the fittest instrument for that duty.

Robert Collyer died poor, but he left must have been fun for Los Angeles to the world richer for his having lived of women to force the right of suffrage

If the current reports concerning the stances which led to that vote. It ap- demands of the Zazata rebels in Mexpears that this was not a reform meas- ico upon the town of Valle del Bravo very deepest and broadest kind of justice ure proposed by some enemy of good are true, those scoundrels have put The saloonkeepers themselves themselves further beyond the pale of wanted to get rid of the burden of feed- civilization than any others in our day, ing their patrons, but could not agree unless possibly some Kurds and Bashiamong themselves to stop doing it. So Bazouks and Russian rioters at Kishi-

The exhortation to do Christmas shopping and mailing of Christmas mail matter early is to be made with their rights of hospitality and of the personal libertles of their patrons. No doubt they expected the newly enfranholiday traffic.

The suffragettes of Glasgow cry the latter are not so cowardly as to claim immunity on the ground of sex. Is there any courage in women's com- but entirely a question of how the genlarge vote, men and women alike de mitting crimes and misdemeanors to eral welfare may best be promoted. vindicate their equality with men and then claiming immunity on the ground paradise for themselves by isolating

> opinion but his own. For that as- fare but even more so our social and surance much thanks. It would be distressing to think that any one else shared the Palmetto blatherskite's vicious vagaries.

Women will get their share of the state offices, says the Governor of Kansas, where women vote. The announcement is superfluous.

It is a queer reflection upon the love of decorative gewgaws which some persons possess that a man should be found committing forgery in order to Venezuela to vain fools who wish to Hyde. shine in pinchbeck to which they know themselves to be not entitled.

A curiously illogical yet not altosituation in Europe is seen in the smaller than that of suffragists. But Miss Margaret E. Trevor. The debutante, preparations of the Poles to rebel against Russia the moment Russia becomes involved in war with Austria-Hungary. If Russia should thus go to war it would be in behalf of the Serbs. and as the Poles and Serbs are akin it would be logical for the Poles to wish indifferent to the sufferings of their Turkey to Tchataldja and that from Russia success in the undertaking, infellow beings from disease, which ani- the point of German invasion of stead of trying to embarrass and de-

THE TALK OF THE DAY.

The clandestine dispenser of lottery tickets, who a few years ago, made lodge meetings and weddings the favorite places for distributing his literature, has broken into a new spot. At a funeral which took place in the crowded part of the East weakness of the defeated power. Per- Side, the hallway of the apartment house haps the surprise was least in the where the services were held and the case of Austria, though few expected sidewalk in front of it were littered with quite so speedy and complete a col- little pieces of yellow and pink paper. On these was printed in English and Yiddish the announcement that the twenty-first "State Lottery," with 21,146 prizes the highest 200,000 kronen-would be 'drawn in public" on December 19, and that tickets at 4 kronen-about \$4 cents- | week I saw a woman fall from the steps half tickets and quarter tickets could be purchased. A man who saw one of the held one in his hand, whether he did not gazing, but not one attempted to help think it strange that there was no place indicated where the tickets could be purchased and received the reply: "Them what wants 'em knows where.

Two old friends met in the sanctum of "The Congressional Record" and cordially shook hands.
"Well," said one, "I guess the arms." shook hands.
"Well," said one, "I guess the change in administration isn't going to affect us

"No danger," said the other. "The Record can't do without you and me." They both laughed, shook hands again, and strolled into the copy room. One was "Laughter."
The other "Applause."—Cleveland Plain

THE WAY OF A MAID.

Gifts of affection never should be spurned. Save that a kiss may always be returned. Though many a man has felt his passion When for a kiss he has deserved a blow-

back Promptly repaid by quite a vigorous

smack-He none the less must show an outward

calm. And, like a hero, glory in the palm! How wonderful the logic of a maid When by such means her modesty's displayed!

Is it not forwardness to heat the band? He only sought a kiss-and gets her hand! "Father, we need some lace curtains for

the parlor."
"Um."
"Also a sideboard and a dining room
"Also a sideboard and a dining room

"Wy do you tell me all this?"
"I want you to decide what you want for a Christmas present."—Louisville

So many villages and cities in New York are interested in the right development of street and park planting, and so much work is being done by men not really fitted to carry on such work, that the New York State College of Forestry at Syracuse University has developed a four-year course for training of city foresters. This course will open in September, 1913, and it is expected will attract many young men through this state work on an extended scale. In Pana- stand his fine ethical andelegal dis- peculiar human elements with which and a half will consist of foundation work ms, however, he had the advantage of tinctions as clearly as "my neighbors the machinery of the law cannot deal in botany, chemistry, geology and soils. complete command of the inhabitants; and the people who know me." Give demand mercy. The Board of Pardons mathematics and surveying. Beginning with the sophomore year, courses will be given in forestry, arboriculture and trees and shrubs. Especially thorough courses will be given in forest entomology and pathology and spraying and spraying Ecuador screen their houses and de- decency" administration to be the York. Not much fault has ever been materials. The students will have an 1886.]

unusual amount of practical work in plane and topographical surveying, so that they may lay out streets, public and private grounds and parks for planting.

"I should think life would be terribly monotonous in the winter down at Lone-lyville," said Dubbs, sympathetically. "Monotonous?" echoed Pilkins, blithely. "What an idea! Come down some time and watch the never-ending procession of cooks going and coming, day after day, from one year's end to the other!"—Harper's Weekly. "I should think life would be terribly

POLITICAL IRRESPONSIBILITY

Injustice to Humanity for Woman to Shirk Suffrage.

To the Editor of The Tribune Sir: Your anonymous anti-suffrage correspondent in to-day's Tribune asks what sort of justice it is that allows a minority upon an apathetic majority.

Without accepting her figures as to the relative proportion of women who do and responsibility, I would say that it is the residence is not in a penal or other public institution.

Felix Adler, in discussing the divorce problem, has shown how too much emphasis has been placed upon the rights on Fifth avenue. of men and women and too little upon the it may be shown that the suffrage question has been discussed entirely too much women and not enough from the

From the point of view of men like John Stuart Mill, Wendell Philips and Abraham Lincoln this question of the suffrage is Metropolitan Opera, on the programme, not a matter of the rights of either sex "Cowards!" at the young men students per se, but of all humanity. The moment who smash their windows, but at least it is viewed from the standpoint of the universal community, that moment it ceases to be a question of who wants it or who does not want it, or how many, If the wise and the good could make

themselves with their goodness and refinement there might be some sense in the anti-suffrage theory, but as life goes Blease says that he speaks nobody's we see that not only is our economic welmoral welfare wrapped up with the general welfare of society. The object of combining the forces of

men and women to make this government responsible in a higher degree than it is at present for the general welfare is Their cry is that of the spoilt child who does not trouble her majestic self about cosmic considerations at all. They are perfectly willing that their prerogatives be preserved at the expense of a more universal justice, but the result in a world like this is the enthronement of an evil principle, and humanity can never be true to itself "in a world where pride and hate avenue, her guests comprising Cardinal are in possession of the religious syssell spurious diplomas of the Double tem, the social prestige and the political Dragon of China and the Libertador of power," and cite the words of De Witt Henry Phipps, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton

Judging by the number of anti-suffragists enrolled in their organization it Stuyvesant Fish, would appear that the number of women in this country who desire the ballot is greater than those who do not, for the gether unnatural feature of the warlike number of anti-suffragists enrolled is far East 52d street, to introduce her daughter vote is partly false and wholly irrelevant." HAROLD SHAFTER HOWARD, Boston, Dec. 4, 1612.

"THE ONCE GENTLER SEX"

Changed Attitude of Men Disadvantage of Struggle for Ballot.

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: We are all rejetced to learn that Moslem women are waking up to find that there is something better for them. In fact, all Oriental women are to be pitied and do need more liberty and privilege and enlightenment-but what do American women need more than they have? Here they are considered, protected and looked up to. Why should they clamor for more? One of the disadvantages of this present struggle for the ballot for women is the changed attitude of men toward the once gentler sex. In the pre-suffrage days there was courtesy. Now the actions of men in public places show that the feeling is, "They want to be like men, let them look out for themselves." of a trolley car, and as she got up she slipped again and fell between the car slips of paper asked another man, who and a motor. A group of men stood her. I said: "Why don't you do something?" But they were quite indifferent and made no effort. Such is gallantry and humanity-with suffrage in the air. The trony of the men's toast, "To the women-once our superiors, now our equals," is proving true in these topsy turvy days, when women are working so hard to upset what the Lord intended. The joyful announcement made by a Philadelphia, that "when women get the ballot they could have a glass of beer every day," must be a most alluring argument in favor of suffrage as appealing to uplifting of woman. A man who has spent seventeen years in Pasadena told ne that there were no saloons and no a theatre party at the Globe. drunkenness there until after women got the vote, but now the place is full of saloons and drunkenness abounds. What And finds the kiss he hoped not to get a gain this is to civilization and refinement! All hail to the women who strive to accomplish such degrading results! AN ANTI-SUFFRAGIST. New York, Dec. 4, 1912. FIRST EDITIONS SPURNED.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: I read with much interest your editorial "Minia de Luxe." By a strange coincidence, after dropping The Tribune, picked up my old battered twelve-cent copy of "The Private Papers of Henry Rycroft" and read: "I care nothing for first editions and for tall copies; what I buy is literature, food for the soul of man." When one thinks of that starved youth in his slum lodgings, famishing with hunger, yet ever ready to cheat his stomach for some twelve-cent "Ragged Vetran" and then compare his mental worth with those who pay fabulous prices for books they may never read, one cannot but wonder at such deluded mortals. The individual who spent \$100,000 in this manner and was really ashamed of herself afterward has at least one redeeming trait in her character. JOHN RULE. New York, Dec. 5, 1912.

THE CHARLESTON EARTHQUAKE.

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: How many years is it since the earthquake in Charleston occurred? New York, Dec. 6, 1912. M. E.

[The city of Charleston, S. C., was damaged by earthquake on August 31,

People and Social Incidents

NEW YORK SOCIETY.

With Christmas little more than a fortnight off, New York is rapidly beginning to assume a hollday aspect. Most of the mother, Mrs. Henry F. Dimock, at the latshop windows show Yuletide decorations, and the stores, especially on the avenue are crowded from morning till night with men and women-especially the lattertown from Mount Clemens, Mich. all intent upon buying Christmas presents. It is a good humored throng, in which society is extensively represented, and the fact that the object of their purchases is to impart pleasure to the recipients of their gifts-both rich and poor -imparts to their features a look of kindly satisfaction which is thoroughly in keeping with the spirit of the season.

Dances of the week will include that given by Stanley Mortimer on Tuesday evening at Sherry's, preceded by a dinner, and on the same evening Mrs. Robert Fulton Cutting will give a small dinner of women who do not care about political dance at her house, in East 67th street. On Thursday evening Mrs. Percy Pyne gives a large dance at her house, in Park which demands political responsibility of avenue, for the debut of her daughter, every adult citizen of this country whose Miss Mary Pyne. Mrs. Pierre Mali will give a dance on Friday night for her debutante daughter, Miss Gertrude Mali, at Sherry's, and it will be preceded by a dinner given by Mrs. Mali at her house,

Then on Saturday comes the first of the rights of their children. In the same way Saturday Evening Dances at Delmonico's, over which Mrs. Charles R. Huntington has presided for so many years. The from the point of view of average men others of the series are set for December 21, January 4 and 18 and February 8.

Mrs. John Innes Kane has out invitations for a large dinner, followed music, with Mile. Lucrezia Bori, of the on Thursday evening, at her house, in West 49th street, and on Tuesday night Amos F. Eno entertains the Neighbornood Club at his home, on lower Fifth

Long is the list of receptions set for the week opening to-day. Mrs. Beverley Ward has one to-morrow afternoon for the debut of her daughter, Miss Caroline DeLancey Ward, at her house, in East Sist street. Miss Ward is a niece of Luther Kountze. Miss Annie Goddard will be presented at a tea given on Wednesby her aunt, Mrs. F. Norton Godday dard, at her home, on Lexington avenue, and on Thursday Mrs. William A. Hamilton has a reception for her debutante daughter, Miss Emily Hope Hamilton, at her home, in East 64th street. The receptions on Saturday comprise those of Mrs. C. Grosvenor Wyeth, at No. 9 East not acknowledged by the anti-suffragists. 75th street, for her daughter, Miss Caroline Wyeth; Mrs. Wright Barclay's reception at her house, in West 81st street, and Mrs. Philip Hiss's reception for her daughter, Miss Helen Hiss, at her home, in West 11th street.

> Miss Leary entertained a large party at Farley, Mr. and Mrs. John Hays Hammond and Miss Hammond, Mr. and Mrs. Fish, Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Taft, Frederick Townsend Martin and Mr. and Mrs.

Mrs. Henry G. Trevor gave a reception yesterday afternoon at her house, No. 28 even if their surmise is correct I cite the who was in a gown of white chiffon over words of Wendell Philips in reply: "The rose pink satin, strung with pearls, was argument that women do not desire to assisted in receiving by Miss Nancy Steele, Miss Anne Rogers, Miss Kate Gordon Willis, Miss Caroline Wyeth, Miss Pauline Clarkson and Miss Julia Edey. The reception was followed by a dinner and theatre party for the receiving party. who afterward returned to Mrs. Trevor's house, where a dance was given for the debutante by Mrs. John B. Trevor. About thirty additional guests were invited for Lathrop Colgate and Mrs. Gino Speranza. the dance. Mrs. H. Trevor will give a large dance at her house on December this and last year.

> Mrs. G. Vall Converse introduced her daughter, Miss Grovene V. Converse, yesterday afternoon at her home, No. 43 Company, on Pier 57, at the end of West East 78th street. The debutante wore a frock of white charmeuse, trimmed with ermine and lace. In the receiving party were Miss Cornelia De Lancey Cammann, Miss Katherine Moore, Miss Lilla Gilbert. Miss Grace Willson, Miss Eulalie Garrison, Miss Gertrude Foos and Miss Dorothy Mahoney. A dinner followed, the extra guests including Miss Priscilla Bull, Miss Eleanor Taylor, Miss Lucy Bunker, Hamilton Campbell, William Palmer, Howard Renshaw, Vivien Palmieri, Herbert Neal, V. M. P. Schroeder, Benton Grace, Ernest Bigelow, jr., James Converse and Willard Wadsworth.

Mrs. J. Belden Gere will give a dance on December 27 at her house, No. 15 West 67th street, for Miss Converse. Mrs. Converse gave a luncheon on Mon-

day at her home for fifteen of her friends, and on the following day one for her daughter, the guests numbering

California woman at the conference in Herrick at her house. No. 35 East 20th street, to introduce her daughter, Miss Margaret Herrick. Assisting in receiving were Miss Lila Fairchild, Miss Louise Chappell, Miss Elizabeth Thompson, Miss the finer instincts and a great help in the Ethel Outerbridge, Miss Dorothy Parker among the patronesses of the concerand Miss Sally Parker. The reception which takes place on Tuesday week at was followed by a dinner at Sherry's and the residence of Mrs. John Henry Ham-The guests included Miss Gertrude Hoyt.

> Miss Gertrude Mali, Miss Eleanor Hartshorne, Miss Lois Cunningham, Miss Lois Hall, Miss Cornelia Chapin, Dr. W. Scott Schley, Walter Swift, Bradley Coley, Harold Hartshorne, Jacob Reigel, of Philadelphia; Arthur Griggs, Seth B. French, William Post, Louis Strobel and Galbraith Ward. Miss Edith Logan made her formal bow

> to society yesterday afternoon at a reception given by her mother, Mrs. John A. Logan, at her house, No. 17 West 56th street. Mrs. Logan and her daughter-the latter in white lace-were assisted in recelving by Miss Margaret Andrews, Miss Vouletti Proctor, Miss Audrey Osborn, Miss Elizabeth Kendall, Miss Adelaide Townsend, Miss Mercedes de Acosta, Miss Hope Hamilton and Miss Evelyn Brown. A dinner followed, after which the guests went to the Astor Theatre. In the party were Harvey Ladew, Dewees Delworth, Edmund O'Brien, Hewitt Pettit, Alexander Lehman, Edward Stevens, Walter Eaton, Edward Fox, Norton Sargent and John A. Logan. Mrs. John Clifford Rennard gave a re-

ception vesterday afternoon at her home. No. 77 East 56th street, to present her daughter, Miss Dorotby Rennard. They received alone.

Mrs. Ferguson Foos will give a reception on Saturday at her house, in West 54th street, to introduce her daughter,

The Marchioness of Donegat, formerly Miss Gertrude Twining, of Halifax, N. S. has arrived in town to spend the Christ-

her little boy, the nine-year-old Marquis of Donegal. Mrs. Cary T. Hutchinson leaves town this week for Washington, to stay with her

ter's house, in I street. Miss Clementina Furniss has returned

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred G. Vanderbilt are entertaining a week end party at Saga-more Lodge, their place in the Adirondacks. Their guests include Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Harriman, Mr. and Mrs. Sidne Jones Colford, Miss Eleanora Sears, Harold Vanderbilt and Mr. and Mrs. Julian McCarthy Little.

Mrs. Frederick Bronson has arrived in town from her place in Connecticut, and is staying at the Belmont.

Mrs. Frederic Neilson has returned to New York from Europe, and is at the Plaza until after the New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. Cass Gilbert and Miss Julia Gilbert have returned from abroad, and are at their new house, No. 42 East 64th

Mrs. Harry S. Lehr is booked to sail on December 28 for Europe.

Lady Johnstone, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Jam's W. Pinchot, sailed yesterday for The Hague to rejoin her husband, the Hon. Sir Alan Johnstone. British Minister to the Court of the Netherlands.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Harvey Ladew sail on Saturday next, with Miss Elise Ladew and Harvey S. Ladew, for Europe, After spending Christmas in Paris, where they will be joined by Mr. and Mrs. E. Berry Wall, they will proceed to Naples, where they will board the Ladew steam yacht Columbia for a cruise through the Suez Canal to India, China and Japan, whence the return journey will be made by raff by way of the Trans-Siberian Railroad.

Mrs. Frederick Brennig, daughter of the late Charles Coudert, made public vesterday her engagement to William M. Dongan de Peyster, son of the late Nicholas de Peyster. He belongs to the Union, the Calumet, the St. Nichola's and other New York clubs. He is in the real estate business. Mrs. Brennig has been twice married, first to the late McKenzle Semple and subsequently to the late Frederick Brennig. Since the death of her second husband she has gone into the cigarette business, with considerable success. Among her sisters are Mrs. Conde M. Nast and Mrs. William R. Garrison.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Ogden Chisolm anounced yesterday the engagement of their daughter. Miss Nina Chisofm, who made her debut three years ago, to Alvin Untermyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Le Roy Fearn have returned from South America and are a the Gotham for a few days before going to their place at Oyster Ba

For the Stony Wold Sanatorium a Christmas fair will be held on Wednesday at the Hotel Manhattan from 11 : m. to 6 o'clock in the afternoon. Mrs. Philip B. Jennings, Mrs. George E Brewer, Mrs. John C. Coleman and Mr. G. S. Franklin are among the women wh have the affair in hand.

The annual Christmas sale of Quee Marguerite's Industrial Italian School of No. 177 Macdougal street, will take place this week at No. 57 West 37th street, to der the patronage of Mrs. Seth Low, Miss Emily Carew, Mrs. Robert Abbe, Mrs.

The ladies of the St. Vincent de Paul 30 for her daughter and the debutantes of French Benevolent Society will have their annual entertainment for the organization on Tuesday week, at 3 o'clock in the evening, in the large reception room of the French Transatlant!

> The programme will consist of two playlets, some recitations by Mme. Simone and by M. de Max, fellowed by supper and a dance. The playlets will consist of "L'Obstacle," in which Mrne. Goiran, wife of one of the French Vice-Consuls, and René Wilderstein will appear, and Edmond Pafileron's "L'Etincelle," with Mme. Golran, Mme. Detessar and M. de Pontae in the caste. The par ronesses include Mrs. Henri E. Gourd and Mrs. Charles Vivier, from whom tickets can be obtained; Mrs. Robert J Hoguet, Mrs. J. Herbert Johnston, Mrs. Henry Binsse, Miss Iselin, Miss Lanen-

las Robinson, Mrs. William Douglas Sloane, Mrs. Robert S. Brewster, Mrs. John Hobart Warren and Miss Frelinghuysen constitute the committee in charge of the concert to be given at the Walderf-Asteria on Tuesday afternoon, oon was that given by Mrs. E. Hicks January 7, for the benefit of the New York Orthopedic Hospital and Dispensary.

tagne and Miss Aimée Delmonico.

Mrs. Hamilton McK. Twombly, Mrs. Herbert L. Satterlee, Mrs. John W. Minturn and Mrs. Frederick P. Delafield are mond for the benefit of the Hamilton Street Settlement.

Mrs. Frederick Edey, Mrs. J. Todhunter Thompson, Mrs. George J. Gould and Mrs. John Hays Hammond are among the patronesses of the Christmas matince for the benefit of the Bide-a-Wee Home for Friendless Animals, which takes place on Monday afternoon, Decemi 23, at 3 o'clock in the ballroom of the

Dickens's "Cricket on the Hearth" and

"Christmas Carol" will be produced Thursday afternoon and evening at the Plaza by the Comedy Club for the benefit of the Union Settlement. The performance and the tableaus in the evening will be followed by dancing. Among those whose names figure on the programme ar Miss Mary Edgar, Miss Florence Colgata Miss Eleanor Du Bols, Miss Emily Gilbert and Miss Isabel Foote. Others participating in the entertainment are Miss Esthe Cleveland, Miss Evelyn Holt, Miss Eleanor Lockwood, Miss Derothy Perkins, John Sloane, Philip Stimson, William Travers Jerome and Miss Cornella Cammann. The patronesses comprise Mrs. Grover Cleveland, Mrs. Gilbert Colgate, Mrs. W. E. S. Griswold, Mrs. William Allen Butler, Mrs. E. Francis Hyde, Mrs. William J. Schieffelin and Mrs. Henry Fairfield Osborn.

An entertainment for the benefit of St Faith's House, Tarrytown, N. Y., is to by given on Monday. December 16, at the Carnegie Lyceum at 3 p. m. Francis Ro ers and Miss Nettleton will sing and M. Ruth Draper will give a monologue Among the patronesses are the following Miss Helen Gould, Mrs. David Greer, Mrs. William Manning, Mrs. Henry Redmond mas holidays here with her mother and Mrs. Glover Arnold, Mrs. Harold Hadden,